

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 to 9 as presented in the underlying International Application No. PCT/EP2004/008087 without prejudice.

Please add new claims as indicated in the listing of claims below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 to 9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (new): A method for the production of a press-hardened component from a semifinished product made of unhardened, hot-workable steel sheet and precoated with a first coating, comprising the following method steps:

 forming a component blank from the semifinished product by cold-forming;
 trimming the component blank at a margin to a marginal contour approximately corresponding to the component to be produced;
 heating and press-hardening the trimmed component blank in a hot-forming tool;
 and
 covering the press-hardened component blank with a second, anticorrosion coating.

Claim 11 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 wherein the press-hardened component is a vehicle body component.

Claim 12 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 wherein the cold forming includes drawing.

Claim 13 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 wherein the second coating is applied to the press-hardened component blank by a hot galvanizing process.

Claim 14 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 wherein the second coating is applied to the press-hardened component blank by a thermal diffusion process.

Claim 15 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 wherein the second coating is deposited on both the first coating and uncoated regions of the component blank uncoated by the first coating.

Claim 16 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 further comprising freeing the coated component blank coated by the second coating of residues of the covering step after the covering step.

Claim 17 (new): The method as recited in claim 10 further comprising tempering the coated component blank after the covering step.

Claim 18 (new): A method for the production of a press-hardened component from a semifinished product made of unhardened, hot-workable steel sheet and precoated with a first coating, comprising the following method steps:

heating and press-hardening the semifinished product in a hot-forming tool so as to define a component blank;

trimming the component blank at a margin to a marginal contour corresponding to the component to be produced;

covering the press-hardened component blank with a second, anticorrosion coating.

Claim 19 (new): The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the press-hardened component is a vehicle body component.

Claim 20 (new): The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the second coating is applied to the press-hardened component blank by a hot galvanizing process.

Claim 21 (new): The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the second coating is applied to the press-hardened component blank by a thermal diffusion process.

Claim 22 (new): The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the second coating is deposited on both the first coating and uncoated regions of the component blank uncoated by the first coating.

Claim 23 (new): The method as recited in claim 18 further comprising freeing the coated component blank coated by the second coating of residues of the covering step after the covering step.

Claim 24 (new): The method as recited in claim 18 further comprising tempering the coated component blank after the covering step.

Claim 25 (new): The press-hardened component produced according to the method as recited in claim 10 comprising the press-hardened component blank and the second, anticorrosion coating.

Claim 26 (new): The press-hardened component as recited in claim 25 wherein the first coating includes aluminum and the second, anticorrosion coating includes zinc.

Claim 27 (new): The press-hardened component produced according to the method as recited in claim 18 comprising the press-hardened component blank and the second, anticorrosion coating.

Claim 28 (new): The press-hardened component as recited in claim 27 wherein the first coating includes aluminum and the second, anticorrosion coating includes zinc.